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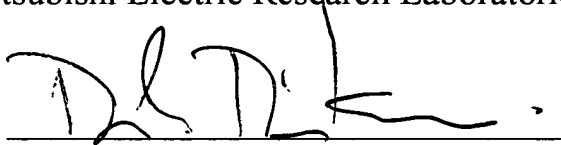
Claims 1-26 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 4-12, 14, 15, 17-20, 22, 23 and 26 are rejected. Claims 3, 13, 16, 21, 24 and 25 are objected to.

Claims 1, 23 and 26 have been amended to include allowable claim 3. Claim 25 has been amended to correct claim numbering.

It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. Should further questions arise concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the number listed below. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to Deposit Account 50-0749.

Respectfully submitted,
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